EDUCATION

University of Denver Sturm College of Law, J.D., 2021, *summa cum laude, Denver Law Review*, Staff Editor, Order of the Coif, Kenneth L. Smith Award, Melanie Hardaway Memorial Award for Outstanding Graduate, Public Good Distinction

University of Denver, Daniels College of Business, University of Denver, Daniels College of Business
B.S., 2018, Business Information and Analytics, *summa cum laude*

ADMISSIONS

Colorado

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HIGHLIGHTS

- Won dismissal of a wrongful death case for a social media company. The judge sided with our arguments on Section 230 of the Communications Decency Act, the First Amendment, and personal jurisdiction.
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- Won a jury verdict for DISH Wireless in a 9-figure contract dispute.
- Won a motion to dismiss for a retail marijuana franchise in a $400 million dispute.
- Won asylum for two Congolese refugees fleeing ethnic violence.
- Representing one of the largest real estate sales companies in the nation in commercial disputes involving violations of franchise agreements.

INDUSTRIES

- Consumer Products & Services
- Cannabis

PRACTICE AREAS

- Commercial Litigation
- Catastrophic Injury Defense
- Product Liability

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BIOGRAPHY

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Prior to joining WTO, Rebekah served as a judicial intern in the U.S. District Court for the District of Colorado. She is also a former WTO law clerk. In these roles, Rebekah assisted on matters involving discrimination, insurance bad faith, fraud, and consumer protection laws. Rebekah graduated first in her class from the University of Denver - Sturm College of Law.

CASES

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- Won a jury verdict for DISH Wireless in a cell tower contract dispute worth hundreds of millions of dollars.
- Won a motion to dismiss for a retail marijuana franchise in a $400 million dispute.
- Won U.S. asylum in a pro bono victory for two Congolese refugees who were targets of extreme ethnic violence in their home country.
- Representing a retail marijuana franchise in a contract dispute involving claims that our client owes money for capital raised.
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- Representing one of the nation's largest health and wellness franchisors in disputes involving violations of franchise, trademark, and trade secret agreements. Helped draft motions for preliminary injunction and temporary restraining order.
- Serving as lead national trial counsel to a major U.S. distributor of vaping products in federal multidistrict litigation in California. WTO is liaison counsel to all of the distributor defendants in the litigation.

- Representing a father pro bono in an international child custody dispute.

BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

- Colorado

LEGAL MEMBERSHIPS, ACTIVITIES & HONORS

- The Best Lawyers of America
  Ones to Watch, Commercial Litigation, 2027

COMMUNITY MEMBERSHIPS, ACTIVITIES & HONORS

- Volunteer, Denver CASA
  Volunteer, Metro Caring
  Judge, Denver Urban Debate League

ARTICLES & PRESENTATIONS

Articles

- "The Government Game of Hot Potato," 98 Denver Law Review 229, (November 2020).

PERSONAL INTERESTS

- Rock climbing, paddle boarding with her dogs and husband